



Location - Begins at the junction of Interstate 90 and Idaho 97 and follows Idaho 97 south and east along Lake Coeur d'Alene to Idaho 3.

Length - 35.8 miles. Allow 1.5 hours.

Roadway - Idaho 97 is a two-lane, paved winding road with few passing lanes.

When to see it - Throughout the year. Eagle watching is great in December and January between Wolf Lodge Bay and Beauty Bay.

Special attractions - Lake Coeur d'Alene; Mineral Ridge Trail at Beauty Bay; Historic Harrison; Thompson Lake Wildlife Refuge; Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes.

Camping - Beauty Creek east of Beauty Bay, Bell Bay near Harrison, city of Harrison.

Services - Partial services in Carlin Bay, Squaw Bay, and Harrison. Full Services in Coeur d'Alene.

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Lake Coeur d'Alene Scenic Byway

The Lake Coeur d'Alene (cör-da-lane) Scenic Byway travels an area where the lakes, mountains, and beautiful summer weather have made it one of the most famous summer playgrounds and resort destinations in the Pacific Northwest. It's also home to a variety of wildlife, including moose, deer, elk, bear and several bird species, still roaming the pristine forests of northern Idaho.

Beginning at the junction of Interstate 90 and Idaho 97, the route travels south along the eastern shoreline of Lake Coeur d'Alene, home to bald eagles and the largest population of nesting osprey in the Western states. Take a break and stretch your legs on the Mineral Ridge Trail, which offers panoramic views of the lake, as well as several learning stations describing the area's botany and animal life.

The route continues through gentle hills and dense forests to the charming town of Harrison. This byway ends at Idaho 3, where it meets the White Pine Scenic Byway and its southern route to the Palouse.

